

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1451 - HB 1170

March 23, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes any court of record that has found defendant to be indigent to hold hearing in open court to determine that investigative or expert services are necessary to ensure constitutional rights of defendant are protected.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$224,000 Recurring
\$8,000 One-Time**

Assumptions:

- 1,000 hearings annually in open court and on the record.
- \$20,000 for reimbursement for private appointed counsel for additional time for hearings.
- \$154,000 recurring and \$8,000 one-time increase in state expenditures for one additional assistant district attorney and one additional assistant public defender due to required hearings.
- \$50,000 for court reporter services for hearings on the record.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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